PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS OF 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 BOX SEQUENCE

Sir:

This amendment and response is filed in response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures dated November 4, 2002. A copy of the Notice to Comply is submitted herewith. A separate petition for a two-month extension of time is being filed herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace Table 3 on page 22 with the following: